## A WEEK IN LABOR CIRCLES

## Matters of Interest to Organized Workingmen of the District.

MEETINGS FOR THIS WEEK.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22. Douglass Progressive Association of Steam Engineers-Hall, 609 F street. L. A. 5341, K. of L., Journeymen Butch-ers-Plasterers Hall, Four-and-a-half street

and Penusylvania avenue.
D. A., No. 66, K. of L., Executive Committec-Times building, 11 o'clock.
L. A. 4308, K. ot L., Musicians-Weller's
Hall, Eighth and I streets southeast.
Brewers' Assembly - Seventh and Natreets,

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23. I. U. No. 190, Brotherhood of Carpenters-

L. A. 1644, Plasterers-Plasterers' Hall, corrand a half street and Pennsylvania L. A. 1748, K. of L., Carpenters and onners—Society Temple, Fifth and Streets. L. A. 1228, K. of L., Lathers—Hall, 1316

E street.

I. A. 3456, K. of L. Carriage and Wagon
Makers—Bunch's Hall, 314 Eighth street.
Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and
Joiners—Costello's Hall, Sixth and G streets.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24. Federation of Labor-Plasterers' Hall, Four-and a-half street and Pennsylvania

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25. Iconociast Assembly-Costello's Hail, Sixth

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26.

District Assembly, K. of L.—Plasterers' Hall, Four-and-a-half street and Pennsylvania avenue. L. B. No. 10, Steam Fitters-Hall, 425

Twelfth street. Carpenters' Council—Hall 627 Massachugetts avenue. Fresco Painters—Hall, 1230 Seventh

street.
L. U. No. 5, Pimbers and Gas Fitters—
Fiks Hall, Ninth and Pennsylvania avenue.
Galvanized Iron and Cornice Workers—
Hall, 737 Seventh street.
Times Assembly, No. 1304—Times building, 3:30 p. m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27.

Bricklayers' Union, No. 1—Bricklayers'
Rail, Seventh and L streets.
L. A. 1798, K. of L., Journeymen Housepainters—Harris' Hall, Seventh and D L. A. 4896, K. of L., Eccentric Associa-tion of Steam Engineers—Bunch's Hall, 314

Eighth street. Stonecutters' Association—Costello's Hall,

Bixth and G streets. Clerks' Assembly—Nordlinger's Hall, Georgetown. Hrage and Structural Iron Workers—Hall

1316 E street. L.U.No. 26, Electrical Workers—Hall 827 Eventh street.

L. B. No. 28. Steamfitters' Helpers—Hall
737 Seventh street.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28. L. A. 2370, K. of L., Tailors—Plaster-ers' Hall, Four-and-a-half street and Penn-

Cigarmakers' Union, No. 110—Hall 737 Ecventh street.—

Frotective Street Railway Assembly— Banch's Hall, 314 Eighth street. Bakers and Confectioners' Union, No. 118—Hall 327 Seventh street.

### FEDERATION OF LABOR.

Forty-four local labor organizations were represented by delegates at the meeting of the Federation of Labor last Tuesday evening. President James F. McHugh presided over the meeting.

The most interesting events of the even

ing were the reports from the legislative committee and the committee on the Ameri-

committee and the committee on the American University.

Chairman Blake from the legislative committee, presented for approval of the delegates, two bills, which he had prepared for introduction in Congress. The first provided for the protection of wage-carners in the District of Columbia, in case of assignment of employers. The necessity of such a law has long been apparent to organized labor but was made more plain several weeks ago, when the paper hangers, in the Federation, reported a case, where after weeks ago, when the paper hangers, in the Federation, reported a case, where after working all week, were told on Saturday night that their employer had made an assignment and that they would have to take chances with the other creditors as to getting their money, and finally were compelled to compromise by acceptiffy per cent of their wages

chances with the other creditors as to ing their money, and finally were comed to compromise by accepting less than a per cent of their wages.

The second bill presented by Mr. Blake one entitled "Employers Liability relating to the liability of employers in District of Columbia to make compensor for personal injuries suffered by aloyes in their service.

Solved Laundry Workers reported good meeting, also election of officers. Several visitors were present. An invitation was somet with the fate of many other labor sures—referred to a committee and between the bistrict organizer announced that he would soon organize a local of field measures—referred to a committee and sct, relating to the liability of employers in the District of Columbia to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employes in their service.

A similar bill was prepared by the Federation last year and presented to Congress, but met with the fate of many other labor measures—referred to a committee and never heard of again.

The many fatal accidents occuring through The many latabaccidents occurring through the negligence of employers in not providing proper scaffolding and other safeguards for the protection of the lives of their em-ployes, especially in the building trades, under the present cut-throat contract system, in the opinion of the workers, demand that some one should be held liable. Th present bill was taken from laws now in force in several States. Constitutional defects in the law which had so been decided by decisions of the Supreme Court were care fully eliminated and only such sections that have stood the test of the Supreme Court decision form the body of the proposed law. Both bills received the unanimous approval of the Federation and the committee was instructed to have them intro duced in Congress at the earliest oppor-

Delegate Bell then presented the report of the committee on the American University building. The report was an address to Bishop Hurst and the building committee of the university, which was decided by the federation to be a masterly product of compilation of facts and figures, showing the supperior advantage of days' work over that of contract work. The address also appealed to the university committee to insist on the standard rate of wages be to insist on the standard rate of wages be-ing paid for an eight-hour workday and that union labor be employed. The report was unanimously indorsed. During the debate several delegates called attention to several prominent buildings in this city, both public and private, built under the contract system, which were showing premature decay, while others pointed out that were built by day's labor were just as good as when completed.

The delegates from the Plasterers' As

schmiy called attention to the new post-office building, and after some discussion the legislation committee was instructed to petation Congress to have that building completed by day's labor, it being the opinion of the delegates that the edifice would be completed more satisfactorily, both as to time of completion and workmanship.

The committee on investigating the cases of government employes taking outside private contracts, reported that the cases had been investigating the cases and been investigated and reported to the Secretaries of the Departments in which

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the men were employed.

Another case was reported where a
night watchman employed at the Smithsonian institution was doing carpenter work
during the day. The matter was referred to
the same committee for investigation.

The next meeting of the Federation, fallton an Christman was matter.

ing on Christmas eve, motion was made to adjourn over for two weeks. The motion met with considerable opposition, and it was decided by an overwhelming majority that the best interests of the Federation demanded that there be no intermission

Several cases of grievances were reported and referred to proper committees.
Communication was received from the
Horseshoers' Union requesting that the
name of Mr. Charles Weitzell, the horse-

shoer, be taken off the unfair list, as that gentleman was running a strictly union thop. The request was unanimously granted. Delegates from the Musical Assembly announced that their meetings in future would be held on the second and fourth Supdays at Weller's Hall, Eighth and I

Bricklayers reported appropriation of 50 for the benefit of the Anncostia drivers. Delegates from the Pressmen announced

an entertainment and ball for December 31, to which all friends of organized labor was

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY.

The regular weekly meeting of the District Assembly, of the Knights of Labor, was held on Thursday evening at Plasterers' Hall, Forr-and-a-half street and Pennsylvania avenue. ers' Hall, Four-and-a-half street and Pennsylvania avenue. The meeting was well attended, both by delegates and visitors. Among the latter were noticed General Worthy Foreman Bishop, General Sccretary-treasurer Hayes, and Thomas B. McGuire, chairman of the general executive board.

W. H. G. Sanmons, the District master workman, presided as usual, and roll call showed that every officer was at his post

showed that every officer was at his post of duty.

The most interesting part of the proceedings was the report of the superintendent of the "People's Transportation Company." The report stated that in accordance with the instructions of the District Assembly at its last meeting, the superintendent had, in conjunction with the executive committee, purchased a number of herdics and horses and had established a line between Hillsdale and Center Market. The running of the herdics had commenced on Thursday morning and had Market. The running of the herdics had commenced on Thursday morning and had been well patronized all day. More horses would have to be procured, so as to have regular changes. The fare was 3 cents for each trip; tickets could be procured at the rate of nine for 25 cents. During the debate that followed it was ascer-tained that the citizens of Anacostia were tained that the citizens of Anacostia were favorably inclined to the new line and promised to give it every support. Quite a number had expressed a desire to become stockholders in the event of the District Assembly desiring to form a stock company. Assurances were received of assistance from outside parties to furnish unlimited credit to the District Assembly in procuring more herdics and Assembly in procuring more herdics and horses if desired. This proposition was re ferred to the executive committee for cosideration. The sentiment, however, was

that the new enterprise should be con-ducted by the District Assembly, assisted by the locals. The whole question was ordered to be laid before the local assem-blies for their approval, which will be done by the executive committee during the coming week.

The committee from the Bureau of Labor

The committee from the Bareau of 120or made a very satisfactory report. The manager of the bureau had received 500 tickets from Mr. Allen of the Grand Opera House. The manager had accounted for all tickets to the suditing committee. Several questions were asked as to the published statements in connection with the affairs of the bureau as appeared in

the affairs of the bureau as appeared in an afternoon paper.

The statements were denounced as being misleading, to say the least of them, and the conclusion reached by the delegates that the informants to that paper were not friends of the bureau.

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The executive committee made an interesting report with reference to the Brewers and Butchers. The committee had held an interview with the representatives of several breweries, but no definite under-

several breweries, but no definite under-standing had been arrived at.
Under call of local assemblies, the Bakers'
Drivers reported that the election of offi-cers and delegates at their assembly had resulted, with the exception of the master workman and worthy foreman, in all of the old officers being re-elected.

Cement Workers reported all old officers Laundry Workers reported good attendance at the open meeting of the assembly on last Wednesday evening.

Street Car Employee reported re-election

Street Car Employes reported re-election of old officers; also that the assembly was enthusiastic over the starting of the Anacostia 'bus line.

Delegates from the Brewery Workers' Assembly reported that the boss brewers had not yet signed the schedule as prepared by the assembly. They had held four meetings since they were organized and were increasing in membership at each meeting. Painters reported initiation of seven candidates at last meeting. Reports from the shops were very encouraging. he shops were very encouraging.

Delegates from Excelsior Assembly re-

ported death of their master workman, Brother Montz, and that their election of officers would be held at the next meeting. Plate Printers reported election of officers.

Barbers reported election of officers, also

Barbers reported election of officers, also that their last meeting was largely attended, quite a number of former members had been reinstated. The delegates requested the District master workman to be present at their next meeting for the purpose of Installing the officers for the ensuing term. Delegates from the Musical Assembly reported the election of a brand new set of the control of the ported the election of a brand new set of or ficers. Their next meeting will be held or

Sunday, in Weller's Hall, Eighth and I streets southeast. Eccentric Engineers reported one initiation and one proposition for membership and one proposition for membership at last meeting, also that a 5 per cent monthly

he would soon organize a local of field me A communication from a member of the

Carpenters' Assembly was read and referred to that assembly for explanation. BUILDING TRADES COUNCIL. The regular meeting of the Building Trades Council was held on last Wednesday even-ing in Monumental Hallon Pennsylvania ave-nue near Second street. Much of the time was taken up by the regular routine busi-

ness.

The question of holding weekly, instead The question of holding weekly, instead of semi-mouthly, meetings, as at present, was considered. The sentiment of the dele-gates was to the effect that past experience had taught them that it was to the best in-terests of all concerned that matters which are constantly arising in the building trade should be attended to without delay, if the are to be settled advantageously. The re-sult of the debate was that commencing with the first meeting night in January the meet-

ings should be held weekly. Several matters of vitar interest to the building traces were reported, and commit-tees were appointed to investigate, with in-structions to report at the uext regular meeting, which will be on the second Tuesday evening in January.

AMONG THE LOCALS.

Local Union No. 1, Carpenters, Joiners, and Stairbuilders, met in weekly session on Wednesday evening in the hall 419 Tenth street. President R. L. Nason was in the chair. A special call had been issued to the members to attend. Important business and also the election of delegates to the Federa tion was before the meeting. On account of press of other business, it was decided to postpone the election of delegates until the first meeting night in January, which will be the second Wednesday of that month. The next meetings falling on Christmas and New Year's Day, the union adjourned over for three weeks. Reports of delegates from the councils and Federation were received and approved. A special call is issued for January 8, 1896.

The members of the Eccentric Associa-

tion of Steam Engineers were out in full force at the regular meeting on Friday night. Master Workman Breen presided, In addition to the regular membership, delegates were present from the Bottling House employes and Tailors' assemblies Theatrical Alliance, and also from the Dis

trict assembly executive committee.

After the regular routine business had been disposed of the reports of committees were taken up. The cases of the janitors of the Curtis and Blair school buildings were

referred to a committee.

The decision of Judge Miller in the case of the engineer at the Arno Hotel, that a person employed as an engineer must personally attend to his plant and not be engaged in attending to other duties, was warmly indorsed by the members.

A very interesting feature of the proceed-ings was the presentation and acceptance of a handsomely framed photograph of the emblem of the order.

The presentation of the photograph was

made by Mrs. Adams as a mark of ap-preciation on her part for the sympathy substantially expressed by the members of the Eccentric Engineers Association on the death of her husband.

The picture was given a prominent po-sition in the sanctuary.

The executive committee of the District Assemply reported the action taken by establishing a line of herdics between Ana-

SALE.

Been there? Then get there with all speed. The fabulous bargains there offered are being snapped up with wonderful rapidity.

Crowds of eager, anxious buyers throng the salesrooms morn, noon and night. Get a move on you and have a share in the rich spoils. MEN'S SUITS.....

MEN'S SUITS...... \$6.00 MEN'S SUITS..... \$7.50 MEN'S SUITS.. ..... .. .. .. 88.75 MEN'S SUITS........ MEN'S SUITS ..... \$10.00 SUCH SUITS MORTAL EYES NEVER GAZED UPON FOR THE PRICE.

BOYS' LONG PANTS SUITS. -Sizes 12 to 18 years.-\$4, \$4.50, \$4.75, \$5, \$5.50, \$6, \$6.50, 6.75, \$7.50.

BOYS' SHORT PANTS SUITS. -Sizes 4 to 14 years. \$1.00, \$1.25, \$2, \$2.50, \$3, \$3.25, \$3.50, \$3.75, \$4, \$4.50.

BOYS' OVERCOATS. \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$4, \$4.50, \$5. Got another pin? Stick it here. A large lot of STORM COATS FOR BOYS, \$1.50.

BOYS' REEFERS. \$2, \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$4, \$4.50, \$5, nong these are some of the handsome ever shown on this market. A RICH AND RARE ASSORTMENT OF JUNIOR AND JUVENILE SUITS. Several lines of MEN'S PANTALOONS, such as Were never before seen in these Now, what are you going to do about it?

TEN PER CENT CLOTHING HOUSE. STRICTLY ONE PRICE

927-929 Seventh Street,

Cor Mass. Ave. Open evenings till 9; Saturday till 11.

costia and the Center market. After hear ing the report, the assembly voted an appropriation of an additional sum of firty dollars to assist the committee in making

the enterprise a success.

Committee from s. Kann. Sons & Co. wasteceived and the delegates to the central
bodies instructed to bring up the matter contained there at the next meeting of those bodies.

The regular meeting of the Stone Masons' Union was held in the Plasterer's hall, Four-and-a-half street and Pennsylvania avenue on Friday evening. The report of the com-

length.

A committee from the Bricklayers' Union was present at the meeting and took an interesting part in the debate.

The instantion of officers for the ensuing term will take place at the next meeting.

Notice was received of the meeting of the

The Stone Masons have decided not to send representatives to the annual conven-tion, which will meet next month.

The members of Mount Vernon assembly of Journeyman House Painters had a very interesting meeting at Harris' Hall on Friday evening. Quite a large number of visiting members of the order was present rising members of the order was present from the Tailors. Musicians and Plate Printers' assemblies; also from the ex-ecutive committee of the District Assembly. After listening to the District executive committee on the prospects of the new trans-portation line established from Anacostia, the assembly voted unanimously to make a

the assembly voted unanimously to make a monthly subscription to the cause.

Interesting speeches were then listend to from the other visiting brethren. Reports from committee on future prospects of the assembly were very flattering.

The Steam Fitters' Helpers of local branch

No. 28 held an encouraging meetingg in their hall, No. 737 Seventh street, on Friday night. Initiation ceremonies were conferred on seven candidates, and a large number of applications were read.

The meeting of L. U. No. 26, Brotherhood.

of Electrical Workers, washeld in Schwartz's One candidate was initiated as an active member and another admitted as an ap-prentice. Nominations of officers took up The election takes place at the pext meeting.

THEME FOR A BUGO.

Remarkable Ante-Mortem Statement by a Tough Fatally Shot.

Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Just a week ago tenight John W. Har-rington was shot in a Chicago saloon by the bartender, John W. Cavanaugh. As the bullet lodged in the abd-men, death was not long in putting an end to the wounded man's sufferings. But he lived long enough to make an ante-mortem state ment—a statement which, in the hands of a Victor Hugo, would furnish a grand

As a matter of fact, Cavanaugh shot in As a matter of fact, Cavanaugh shot in self-defense. The two were friends, but Harrington was under the influence of liquor and in an ugly most. He was about to strike Cavanaugh with a beer glass. That is hardly a deadly weapon, still it might inflict a mortal wound, and the shooting was in self-defense.

Hardly had Harrington received what from the first he recognized as a fatal shot before he recognized the fact that he was the aggressor, and never for a moment

did he blame his slayer.

The story of the quarrel as told by eye The story of the quarrel as told by eye witnesses at the inquest was substantially the same as that told in the newspaper reports of the next morning, and whether the shooting was really justifiable or not would be for a petit jury to pass upon, but Harrington made and swore to a version of the shooting which left no alternative but the exoneration on the spot

of Cavanaugh.
"We were fooling," he says, "and chasing each other around in the saloon, when a revolver he had in his hand was discharged and I was wounded in the abdomen. I am positive that the discharge of the gun was due to an accident, and I do not attach any blame to said John Cavanaugh."
When a Sister of Charity in "Les Miserables," who had been the very soul of conscientiousness, tells a flat falsehood to shield an exponential the reader, cannot shield an ex-convict, the reader canno shield an ex-convict, the reader cannot help indorsing the author's unconditional approval, and in this case the two char-acters, so contrasting in a general way, meet upon a common plane of unselfish singleness of purpose to do an act of

Harrington was a notorious tough, a member of the Market street gang, who, in signing his ante-morten affidavit, made his mark, but clearly there was a something in him which suggests the line—

Every human heart is human.

Druggist Caught On.

A lady who was shopping saw her husband examining pocketbooks at a show-case in another part of the store. When he had gone she approached the saleswoman in that department.

"Did he get the one I wanted"

"Yes, the one with the sliver horse-shoe. I told him it was the best and would just suit."

"You're a jewel. I feared he would get something I didn't want. Thank you ever so much."

The husband had gone to his favorite "Has my wife been here"
"Yes," said the cierk, with a grin.
"Did she get a toothbrush or a box of

igars for my Christmas present"
"She looked at cigars." "Ha! I know the brand—\$2 a hundred. Well, if she buys a box, change them to my regular brand, and I'll pay the differ-And the druggist—saw.

SINGLE TAX COLUMN.

The Times undertakes no responsibility for any views expressed in this

One of our Sunday contemporaries takes occasion to remark, regarding these articles

occasion to remark, regarding these articles on the single tax:

"It is easy for the warmly-clad, Well-fed reformer, sitting has his comfortable fireside in his easy char, to devise ingenious theories for hast ning the coming of the milleunium." There is more of the ar cle, but that will

There is more of the ar icle, but that will do for the present.

The remark quoted tou lies the writer of these articles personal to so we ask the reader's pardon that for this occasion we use the first personal pronoun. It awakes recollections of the time, when, upon attaining my legal majority, with not more than \$50 in my pocket, arter having partly educated myself and assisted in supporting my aged parents, I started out in life, with he delusion that the healthiest, most independent and honorable position in the world was that of a farmer. But the first step toward becoming a farmer was to obworld was that of a farmer. But the first step toward becoming a farmer was to obtain a farm. To do this, it was necessary to pay some fellow-man \$2,000 or \$3,000 in order to obtain his permission to use enough of the earth's surface to win a living from. True, I might have pushed out farther toward the frontier, where land, such as it was, could be and on easier terms, but then I would fall out of the hands of the land speculator into those of the irrigation syndicate. As between the two, I chose the former.

TEN YEARS OF SLAVERY. TEN YEARS OF SLAVERY.

I found a quarter section of fine prairie land in Northern Illinois that could be bought for \$8 an acre. With that in view I worked for a year, and at the end of that time had about \$200. During that year the price of the land had advanced from \$8 per acre to \$10 per acre; in all about \$310. I was mathematican enough to figure that if the hand and I both kept on at that rate it would be a long time before I could pay for it. Clearly, my best policy was to get a hold upon it before any further rise in price.

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I paid \$200 down in cash, and gave severnotes, for \$200 each, for the remaining
\$1,400, with interest at 10 per cent per
annum, secured by mortgage. A little
figuring will show that if the notes had been
paid as given, the total annum would have
been \$2,160. But they were not. The
gentleman who held the mortgage kindly
permitted the notes to be renewed at the
end of seven years, practically at compound interest. The aggregate finally
paid was about \$2,200; and it took ten
years to pay it. years to pay it.

A PAIR OF DOGS. A PAIR OF DOGS.

I never shall forget the occasion when I called upon my master to get the notes renewed. At the moment I entered his gorgeously appointed office at the county-seat, he was trying to teach his wife's sore-eyed poodle to sit on his (the poodle's) hind legs on a crimson-cushioned arm-chair. When he, the master, turned his attention to me the dog curled up in the chair and went to sleep. No chair was offered me. I shoot in the presence of his high mightiness while we were conducting our necotiations. regotiations

I worked sixteen hours a day: ten or twelve hours a day for somebody else, and the remainder on "my farm." After two or three years I married, and "we" took up our residence on the land. We lived in a "sod house;" warm and comfortable, but neither large nor elegant. We wore but neither large nor elegant. We wore the coarsest clothing that would keep the snow and rain from our bodies. We ate the poerest food, anything fit to sell must be sold to pay that debt. There is but one word in the language that accurately de-scribes that way of living; that word is

A NON-CONSUMING CITIZEN. During the dozen years of my slavery I did not improve the land much. How could it All the money I could raise went into the 1? All the money I could raise went into the hands of my master. Why should I? If "anything should happen" to me, the widow and babies would never be able to pay the debt, and the land, with whatever improvements I might have made upon it, would revert to the man who held the mortgage against it. Besides, the more improvements I made, the higher my taxes would be. The more I did toward building up the State of Illinois, the more she would fine me for it.

It may be observed that I did not buy as many things—as much clothing, and

as many things—as much clothing, and groceries, and lumber, and wire for fencgroceries, and lumber, and wire for fenc-ing, and agriculturalimplements, and house-hold furniture, and books, etc.—as I would if I had not been paying tribute to the land speculator. I could not let him have \$220 a year and at the same time spend

F220 a year and at the country seat.

HOW TRAMPS ARE MADE.

There were about a thousand of us in the country, who were slaves to the same man. Each of us spent on an average, \$200 less at the lumber yards and stores at the country seat than we would if the vocation of a land speculator had never been invented. That made \$200,000 a year of "depression in business" in that one country in the country seat that made \$200,000 a year of "depression in business" in that one country in the responsibility of a shortage in the accounts of Lieut. Kingsley, late quarter master. The next school of non-commissioned officers will hear from Sergt. Rogers, Company D. something about military law. accumulated on the hands of the makers accumulated on the hands of the makers.

In the course of the ten years that we were
occupied in paying for our farms more
than two million dollars' worth of such
things must have accumulated somewhere.
We needed them badly enough, but we couldn't buy them, for our money was

diverted in another direction.

In the meantime the same thing was going on in other parts of the country. There must have been an accountiation, according to the most reliable statistics, of \$4,800,000,000 worth of goods during those ten years. At least, there would have those ten years. At least, there would have been but for the fact that before the accumu-lation became so enormous, the manu-facturers discovered that they were piling up more goods than we could pay for; so they dismissed a large number of their employes, and thereby let loose any army

of tramps upon the community HOW REFORMERS ARE MADE. It was during this period of my slavery that I began to think, the result of which was that by the time I had worked my way out from under that mortgagge I was a "re-former." Some of the other slaves became reformers. Some of them became by over reformers. Some of them became by over-work so stunted and stuttified that they were incapable of sufficient consecutive thought to make themselves reformers. Some of them, after spending a dozen years of their lives in thinking of nothing else except making money enough to pay off their mortgages, became so rooted and grounded in selfishness that they never afterward

porary that a wakened these reminiscences: Whatever became of us in our later lives, during the period of our slavery none of us ast on "easy chairs." It was the other fellow and his dog that occupied the "easy

Electrically Heated Water. In any house equipped with incandescent electrical light wires the water for a bath may be heated in a most satisfactory manner. It frequently happens that in case of illness the patient is unable to utilize the regular bathroom. The exact temperature of the water is often under these circumstances, a matter of vital importance.

The results are schleved by simply

immersing a connecting feed electric wire in the vessel or a portable bathtub, and within a few minutes the exact tempera-ture is secured. This requires no costly or intricate apparatus. The wire that will feed an electric laup will heat the water. Critic and Actress.

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The London critic. Clement Scott, and Mrs. Kendal have been at loggerheads for many years. Scott's version of the cause of their enmity is interesting. "It was years ago," he says, "when the Kendals were on a provincial tour. I had gone behind the scenes to see one of the actors, and by accident I walked right into Mrs. Kendal's room. That good lady was about to begin her toilet. She shricked: "Go away! Go away!" I turned, shut my eyes tight, bowed and said: 'Madam, I need no persuasion.' And to this day I have never been able to tell which she resented the more—my intrusion or my ed the more-my intrusion or my

Another eastern king, the Iman of Muscat, has in his collection a pearl worth \$165,000, weighing 12 1-2 karata. Through it the daylight can be seen.

### One Week's News and Gossip Around the Local Armories.

The first of the matches of the season are over. They were fired on the two regular nights of the week.

Every company turned out except Company C, Fourth Rattalion. The commanding officer of this company will be called on to explain. Capt. Bell, range officer, made formal complaint to head-quarters Friday on this subject.

The result of the shoot the first night was: Company B, Second, 200; A. Third, 192; D, Third, 187; D, Fourth, 187; A, Second, 182; A, First, 181; C, First, 179; B, First, 170; D, First, 154; A, Fifth, 153; B, Fifth, 139; A, Fourth, 110.

The second night's shooting was equally good, Company A, Sixth Battalion, led the shooting with 207 points. The score, however, has been protested. It is claimed that one of the nen leaned against a beater. It was noticed, but no complaint was made until after the score was announced. He made a possible and then 22.

FROTEST MADE.

PROTEST MADE.

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The protest is unfortunate since it may lead to further trouble. The officers of Company A hold that the leaning of the man against the heater should have been stopped at once. They hold that after the score was made the protest was too late. If the protest stands the Engineer Corps comes first with a score of 202.

The Rifles are being congratulated on all sides for their score the first night. They hastled all the rest and the rest were glad to see it. They have the chance of getting up a wioning team.

up a wioning team. The Engineer Corps is also relieved of a The Engineer Corps is also relieved of a carking care. They could not understand why they were not numbered with the battalion team. If there is one thing the Engineers think they can do it is to shoot. When they are left out of a shooting match there is trouble. This time it was an oversight. Some

and time it was an oversight. Some one blundered. The Engineers were not to have a battalion team. They are, though. The error has been rectified. They are on the list now and can go in to win the prize if they can. PRIZES AWARDED. PRIZES AWARDED.

Capt. Bell has at last been able to figure out the winners of the Thanksgiving shoot. It was a job, but at last it is finished. The "booby" shooters won the highest prizes. The scores were:

First class—First Licot A. O. Hutterly, Engineers, 170; Private E. W. Scott, En-

Engineers, 170; Private E. W. Scott, Engineers, 164; Private S. I. Scott, Engineers, 164.

Second class—Private E. W. Scott, Engineers, 164; Private Calleday, Company B. Second Intuition, 157; Private E. J. Williams, Engineers, 155.

Third class—Private E. W. Scott, Engineers, 164; Sergt Lanham, Engineers, 159; Private E. J. Williams, Engineers, 159; Private E. J. Williams, Engineers, 159.

Fourth class-Private O'Connell, Com-

pany D. Fourth Buttation, 128; Private Garrison, Engineers, 127; Private Gunderson, Company B. Sixth, 97.
Fifth class—Private Hall, Engineers, 142; Private Dobson, Company D. Fourth, 130; Private O'Connell, Company D. Fourth, 128.
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Fourth, 128.

The Cycle Corps is rapidly getting into shape and trying to make marksmen of themselves. They are even beasting of a score of 138, made the second night of the company shoot. They hold that they had a scrub team and only want a little time. Then they will simply hustle things.

IN THE FOURTH.

Tuesday evening the Fourth Battalion shot a match for the battalion trophy, a handsome cup of bronze and gilt, formerly won by Ragan, of Company A. Emmett

The conditions were five shots per man at The conditions were five shots per man at 200 and 300 yards. The cup was won by Private J. D. Leeman Company D. Ordway Riftes, with a score of 38. Some other scores made were. O'Connell. 34; W. E. McNulty, 34; J. W. Williams, 34; H. A. Dobson, 31; A. L. Evans, 28; and M. L. Baucher, 26.

The cup will be formally presented to the winner as soon as convenient and will be held by Company D during the coming year. The staff of the Fourth Battalion is proud of its shooting record for 1894 and

proud of its shooting record for 1894 and 1895. They have five sharpshooters, two marksmen, one first-class, one second-class, and no third class. The individual figure of merit is 268 8-9, which is overfirst-class.

the Bazaar on the 10th. All uncovered as they entered the hall.

Notes From Commands.

Ex-Adjutant E. J. Allen of the Fourth Ex-Adjusted E. J. Anen of the Fourth Battalion is home again from a sojourn in California. Mr. Allen's health is improved and he can see his personal friends. The Cycle Corps is talking of learning to ride water cycles. Sergt. McLain of Company B. Sixth

Battalion, has asked to be transferred to Company A.

The following transfer has been ordered: Trumpeter James Vogle, First Separate Company, to Company A. Sixth Battalion. The following have been honorably dis-charged on their own application: Privates W. H. Cameron, First Separate Con vates W. H. Cameron, First Separate Com-pany; Ernest R. Graves, B. First; Philip N. Wisener, D. First; E. M. Tegethoff, Company B. Eaglneer; A. H. Sonneman and Fred Sonneman, Company B. First; Charles E. Heard, Edwin Klock, James C.

Charles E. Heard, Edwin Klock, James C. Sheery, Company C. First, Leo M. Cutts, D. Third; Color Sergt. W. D. Hager, Second Battation, and Qmr. Sergt. E. E. Vannorsdall, Second Regiment.

The following have been ordered discharged in the interest of the service: Privates Charles E. Brengall, D. Third; C. W. Quantiil. A. Fourth; James M.

C. W. Quantiti. A. Fourin; James M. Reliey, D. Third.

The following have been ordered dishonorably discharged on account of expuision from company: Privates W. Auc. Clifford S. Brush. Luther B. Feete, Carson H. Hongh, John Lerch, Howell G. Nelson, Harden T. Reid, and George Willner, Com-pany C, First Battalion. The dishonorable discharge of Sergt. David S. Waters, Jr., Company D, Third,

has been revoked.

An election for first and second lieutenants in Company C. Fourth Battalion, has been ordered for January 7.

The new storm doors at the armory are

Lieut. King's telephone is up, but no one can work it. TRADE IN DIAMONDS

Crook Tells of a Little Transaction

With an Unscrupulous Jeweler.

New York World. A Tenderloin crook was in a reminiscent mood, and he was telling some of the neat bits of work he had done when the city was a great deal tivelier than it is at present. "I had been traveling in hard luck, and

was flat broke," he went on, "when I hap pened to enter a jewelry store and ask for a job. The proprietor seemed favorably im-pressed with my appearance, for after siz-ing me up and finding that I was not troubled tache, but was afraid to ask for a specimen with an over-scrupulous conscience, he took me into his confidence and unfolded a little scheme that opened even my eyes. The result was that within a week I was togged out from head to foot in the swellest of garments, and was fast becoming a prime favorite with the gay chorus girls which frequented the flashy, all night restaurants. "I posed as a young blood, and by opening a few bottles of wine it was easy to give the impression that I was a man of means. My object in thus getting acquainted was to find out the girls who chanced to have any money. As soon as I spotted one I began took me into his confidence and unfolded a

find out the girls who chanced to have any money. As soon as I spotted one I began to work the scheme in carnest.

"I would dash up to the door of her house behind a high stepper and invite her out for a drive. On the way I would suddenly remember that I had to stop at the jeweler's for my watch, which was

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being repaired. It was easy to induce the girl to enter the store with me. Once inside, the jeweler would tip the girl a wink and whisper that I could be easily worked for a pair of dlamond earrings. When the girl gave me a pretty broad hint I would langh at her, whereupon the jeweler would pretend to help her out. Producing a pair of earrings, he would enlarge upon their beauty and the low figure at which they could be bought. The girl wouldn't know much about such things, and stones worth \$100 would seem cheap

and stones worth \$100 would seem cheap "After hesitating in a weak way for a time I would at last say that I couldn't "After hesitating in a weak way for a time I would at last say that I couldn't afford to give her such a costly present, but as she seemed to have her heart set upon them I would help her pay for them. I would then throw down a \$100 bill and leave the girl to make her own arrangements with the jeweler. She would think she was getting so much the test of it that she would either pay the balance on the snot or leave a generous deposit to

the spot or leave a generous deposit to hold the diamonds.
"As a general thing she would do the latter, and in nine cases out of ten that was the last we ever saw of her, for if she didn't go broke she would think better of her bargain and find it cheaper to sacrifice the deposit she had paid. The sacrifice the deposit she had paid. The jeweler and I whacked up, share and share alike, and it was a cold week when we didn't clean up \$100 apiece."

LOCKS OF ALL COLORS. Kansas Beau's Collection of Keep sakes From Feminine Friends

Atchison Globe. An Atchison young man gets a lock of hair from every new "steady" and has collected an elaborate array during the ten years he has been in the market. The color of the hair in his collection varies from a bright red to a coal black. He has over sixty specimens, which shows that he has averaged a new"steady" every two months during the time he has been gathering his collection.

Some of his specimens have faded badly, showing that the hair had been dyed. One

showing that the hair had been dyed. One specimen has changed from a deep black to red and gray. He prizes his collection very highly and keeps it locked up for fear some one will steal it.

Whenever he sees a girl with a shade of hair which is different from anything he has in his collection he immediately goes after her, and she becomes his "steady" untilhe gets a lock of her hair. Then he goes after another girl with a new shade of hair. He has heard of girls who had blue hair, and is now looking for one. He claims to have seen a girl with a little blue mushave seen a girl with a little blue mus-

Found a Remarkable Fossil,

One of the most curious carboniferous fos-sils ever found in the Scranton region of the anthracite coal field was discovered n the Dodge mine, of this city, the othe day by John B. Davis, a miner, living on Bellevue street. It was the head and neck of a woman's figure, the features being regular and clearly defined. The fossil weighs sixty-five pounds and is composed of fire clay. It is twenty-four inches high, fourteen inches from the tip of the mose to the back of the head, and the neck is nine inches in diameter. The convolutions on the top of the head resemble curls of help and they gold in the second control of the head resemble curls of help and they gold in the second control of the head resemble curls of hair, and they end in a knot such as is worn at present in arranging the hair. The miner found it embedded in a solid piece of fire clay, and it dropped out entire when the chunk was broken.—Philadelphia Press.

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